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- 1. Preliminary Amendment and Remarks; and
- 2. Amended Version of the Claims.

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## **AMENDMENT**

## A. In the Claims

Please amend the claims as set forth below.

7. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 3, further including the steps of: receiving a message at the order center apparatus, from an ordering system